



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Re: Application of: Manfred DAEUBLER, et al.  
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For: **RING STRUCTURE WITH METAL DESIGN  
HAVING A RUN-IN LINING**  
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

S I R:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 12, 2010 in connection with the above-identified application, Applicant herewith requests reconsideration of the application based on the following: